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SUBJ: INCIDENTS INVOLVING ZAMETCHOCH

1. EMBASSY HAS TWO HARD REPORTS OF SIGNIFICANT INCIDENTS INVOLVING ZAMETCHOCH. FIRST ONE, REACHING US THROUGH AMERICAN SOURCE ON SPOT, INVOLVES ARREST EARLY LAST OF DEVELOPMENT THROUGH COOPERATION CAMPAIGNERS IN JIJIGA BY THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES. REASONS REMAIN UNCLEAR BUT COULD RELATE TO NATIONALIZATION OF PROPERTIES IN AREA, NOTABLY REPORTEDLY INCLUDING 71 OF 210 TRACTORS AVAILABLE IN REGION. JAILING OF ZAMETCHOCH WAS IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWED BY STUDENT STRIKE. TWO OFFICIALS FROM ADDIS WERE SENT TO JIJIGA TO HELP WITH RESOLUTION OF ISSUES AND THEY SUCCEEDED IN OBTAINING RELEASE OF CAMPAIGNERS LAST FRIDAY (APRIL 25). SOME LOCAL MOSLEM CIVILIANS WHO WERE ARRESTED AT SAME TIME, HOWEVER, APPARENTLY STILL BEING HELD.

2. SAME SOURCE REPORTS LARGE CONVOY TRANSITING JIJIGA LAST WEEK WITH TROOPS GOING EAST.

3. SECOND INCIDENT STILL IN COURSE. RELIABLE AMERICAN SOURCE IN EAL REPORTS THAT ZEMETCHOCH TOOK EAL C-47 AIRCRAFT AND CREW HOSTAGE IN GAMBELLA AFTERNOON APRIL 28. REASON FOR ACT REPORTEDLY IS THAT AIRCRAFT REFUSED TRANSPORT BACK TO ADDIS REMAINS OF A STUDENT
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CAMPAIGNER. ZAMETCHA OFFICE IN ADDIS SENT WORD TO CAMPAIGNERS IN

GAMBELLA THAT MILITARY AIRCRAFT WOULD BE DISPATCHED PROMPTLY TO RETURN BODY TO ADDIS IN HOPE THAT THIS WOULD CAUSE ZAMETCHOCH TO RELEASE EAL AIRCRAFT. THEY DID NOT DO SO. HOWEVER, MILITARY AIRCRAFT LIKELY ARRIVE IN GAMBELLA TODAY, AT WHICH TIME PROBLEM SHOULD BE RESOLVED. SOURCE QUALIFIED ZAMETCHOCH ACTIVITIES IN GAMBELLA AS HAVING CREATED "SITUATION WHICH IS OUT OF CONTROL."
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